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REMARKS

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1. the Sachsenhausen concentration camp near Oranienburg only some units of the tank training unit were at the camp and the other units were at Vogelsang. Lieutenant Colonel Chuck (fnu) was also in Vogelsang, while Lieutenant Colonel Vadelkov (fnu), the instructor of the training unit, was still in Camp Sachsenhausen. Two groups each of about 20 soldiers were daily engaged in aiming practice with T-34 tanks near Building No 149. The Markin driving school continued practice driving in the streets of Oranienburg.

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2. Between 30 April and 4 May, only about 100 soldiers were seen at Schoenwalde Fliegerhorst. On 2 May, about 50 soldiers engaged in aiming practice in the AA emplacement. Motor vehicles drove to the Fliegerhorst. The area near Ziegenkrug was again free from troops.²

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3. On 5 May, units from the Kavallerie Schule at Krampnitz were loaded at the Satzkorn railroad station for shipment was dispatched at 11:30 a.m.; it consisted of 9 flatcars and an undetermined number of flatcars with 6 x 160-mm mortars, 18 x 50-mm mortars, 3 armored personnel carriers and 25 trucks . The second train was dispatched at 2 p.m.; it consisted of 8 boxcars and an undetermined number of flatcars with 12 x 76.2-mm field guns, 5 x 45-mm AT guns and 19 motor vehicles ³

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1. [] Comment. After the troops had departed from the Oranienburg concentration camp for Templin on 17 and 19 April and after the KVP construction bureau had taken over the construction camp, there was the impression that the 25th Tank Div had definitely left and vacated the concentration camp. [] The present report indicates, however, that the unidentified tank training battalion, with some of its elements, and the unidentified motor transport battalion of the division were still in Oranienburg on 28 April. []

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2. [] Comment. [] the quarters of the 31st AAA Div in the Schoenwalde Fliegerhorst were only lightly occupied and that units of the division engaged in field exercises in the area west of the military post, near Ziegenkrug. [] It is possible that the field exercises were shifted to another area at the end of April and the beginning of May.

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3. [] Comment. The two trains probably carried elements of the 29th Gds Mts Rifle Regt of the 10th Gds Tank Div. []

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